

# Activity Sheet to Gallery of Alaska

Children ■ Grades 4-6 Younger children need assistance.

## Explore Alaska's Animals!

Use the images to find each region.

Hint: Look up!

**Instructions:** The Gallery of Alaska is divided into Alaska's five regions marked by a banner hanging above each. Pretend you are an explorer on an expedition through Alaska's wilderness. What can you learn about the animals here?

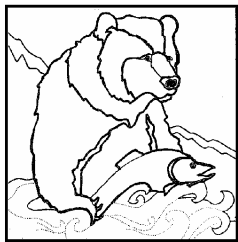
**Walk and look** at the exhibits for clues to answer as many questions as you can.

[Answers are on the back]



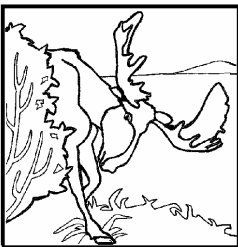
### ■ Southeast

1. How many eggs does a **bald eagle** normally lay each year? \_\_\_\_\_
2. What do we call a 6 - 18 month old **salmon**? \_\_\_\_\_
3. Another name for the **silver salmon** is: \_\_\_\_\_
4. What do **spawning salmon** eat? \_\_\_\_\_



### ■ South Central

5. Find the **bird migration** display case. Name the two largest birds in the display.  
 \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_
6. Find the **common eiders**. How do they keep their eggs warm? \_\_\_\_\_  
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7. Why do you think **sandpipers** have such long pointy beaks? \_\_\_\_\_  
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8. Do **beavers** eat fish? \_\_\_\_\_



### ■ Interior

9. What is **Blue Babe**? \_\_\_\_\_  
 What killed Blue Babe? \_\_\_\_\_
10. Find the Alaskan animals that have colorful wings and drink nectar.  
 What are they? \_\_\_\_\_
11. Find the **wild cat** that currently lives in Alaska's forests. What is it? \_\_\_\_\_  
 Why are their feet compared to snow shoes? \_\_\_\_\_
12. Find the **red squirrel**. Now find the two mammals that can fly or glide.  
 What are they? \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_
13. **Moose** are the largest member of what family? \_\_\_\_\_



You may touch those objects marked with this sign.



■ Western Arctic Coast

14. What is the Yup'ik Eskimo word for the **bearded seal**? \_\_\_\_\_

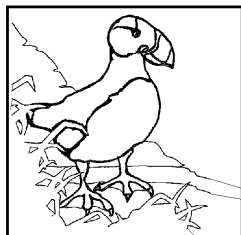
15. How much can a **walrus tusk** weigh? \_\_\_\_\_

16. The huge **jawbones** in the center of the gallery are from what animals?  
\_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_

What does it have instead of teeth? \_\_\_\_\_

17. What is the insulating fur of a **musk ox** called? \_\_\_\_\_

18. What do **caribou** eat in the winter? \_\_\_\_\_



■ Southwest

19. Name the **bird** with reddest feet! \_\_\_\_\_

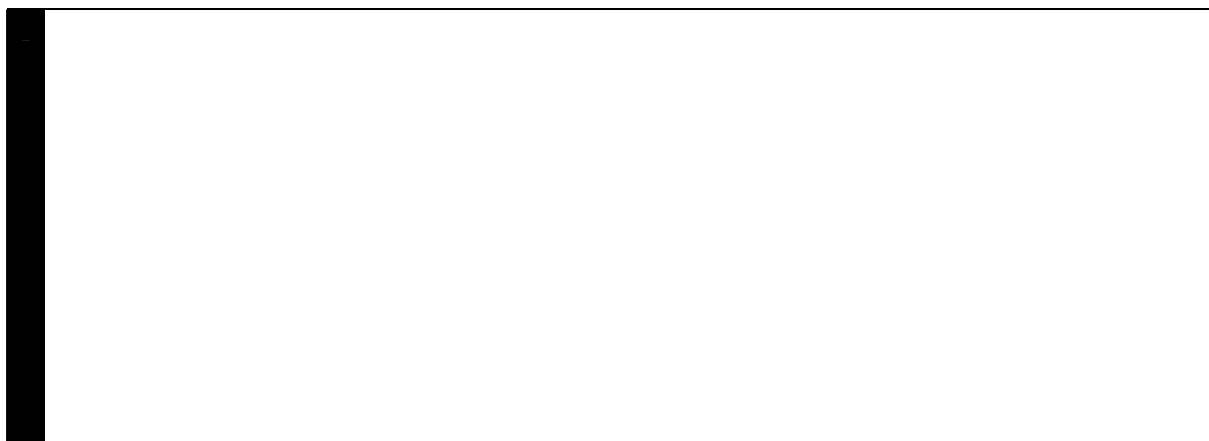
20. How do **horned puffins** and **tufted puffins** catch fish? \_\_\_\_\_

■ Final Gallery of Alaska Overview

21. What species of bears did you find in the Gallery?  
\_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_



**Draw a picture of your favorite Alaska animal.**



Look for other activity sheets in the museum. Use them to learn more about Alaska!

- Answers**
1. 2-3 eggs.
  2. Fingerlings.
  3. Coho.
  4. Nothing. They stop feeding during their migration upstream to spawn.
  5. Tundra Swan.
  6. Trumpeter Swan.
  7. With down plucked from their breasts.
  8. To poke in the sand for bugs to eat.
  9. No, they eat roots and bark.
  10. Steppe Bison.
  11. American lion.
  12. Butterflies.
  13. Lynx. Their large feet help them walk on top of the snow.
  14. Northern flying squirrels and bats.
  15. The Deer family.
  16. Mukluk.
  17. 12 pounds.
  18. Gray and Bowhead Whales. Baleen.
  19. Qiviut.
  20. Lichen and dried sedges, yum!
  21. Pigeon Guillemot.
  22. They swim underwater really well!
  23. Black, Brown or Grizzly, Polar Bears.

**Come Again!**

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